February - March 2008

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Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana Newsletter

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ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL AND ALL THE TRIBAL EMPLOYEE'S, WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF YOU THE MOST FURTUNATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY, AND THE MOST BLESSED EASTER SEASON.

CHITIMACHA TRIBAL POLICE NEWS

FEBRUARY 2008

For the month of January and February 2008, three traffic citations were issued for speeding, and one each for not wearing a seat belt, running a stop sign, and careless operation of a vehicle.

The following arrests were logged for February 2008:

02-01-08 One male arrested for criminal trespassing and outstanding warrants from the 16th Judicial Court for failure to appear for various traffic violations and nine counts of issuing worthless checks. The subject also has outstanding warrants from Iberia Parish for aggravated burglary, criminal damage to property, theft of goods, and failure to appear for simple criminal damage to property and seven counts of issuing worthless checks.

02-02-08 One female arrested for disturbing the peace intoxicated.

02-16-08 One male arrested for criminal trespassing and unlawful possession of intoxicating beverages by a person under 21.

02-17-08 Four male subjects arrested for disturbing the peace by fighting.

02-17-08 One male arrested for criminal trespassing.

On February 12, 2008 at approximately 5:00 a.m., the Chitimacha Police Department received a call that an armed robbery had occurred at Shorty's Casino. The Chitimacha duty officer quickly responded to the area and with assistance from St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office deputies and a State Police Trooper the suspects were apprehended. All personnel involved worked well together to get this case solved in record time—the police dispatcher working with the casino dispatcher was able to quickly pass along information to the responding officers as to the path the suspects were taking.

Officers eventually made a felony vehicle stop on Highway 182 and the suspects were taken into custody. All of the money taken in the robbery was recovered, as well as the weapon used in the robbery. At approximately 5:10 a.m. the two suspects were apprehended and taken into custody. Richard W. Owens, of New Iberia, was arrested for armed robbery, attempted first degree murder of a police officer and aggravated resisting of an officer by flight and Randy J. Girouard, of New Iberia, was arrested for accessory after the fact to armed robbery and resisting an officer by flight. Both subjects remain incarcerated in the St. Mary Parish Law Enforcement Center.

MARDI GRAS PARADE

On February 02, the Tribe had another successful Mardi Gras parade on the reservation. Chitimacha police department personnel and reserve officers all came out to assist with the parade and also received help from the Franklin and Jeanerette Marshals Office personnel. The parade took place without any incidents or complaints occurring. Thanks to all the community members that made this event such a success.

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR NOMINEES FOR OCT. TO DEC. 2007

Congratulations to Patrol Officer Luke St. Blanc who was nominated for receiving the most gold stars for the quarter.
Congratulations to Patrol Officer Tasia Burgess and Communications Officer Gloria Loston who were nominated by their supervisors.
Keep up the good work!

NEW COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

We welcome Bobbi Brown to the police department as our newest communications officer. Bobbi made the move over to the dispatch center from the security department at Cypress Bayou/Shorty's Casino, and started working with us on February 01. She has been busy learning all the workings of the communications center and police department. Welcome to the Chitimacha Police Department Team!

WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND SAFE EASTER!

Armed Robbery Class Photo

A training course titled “Employee’s Response to Armed Robbery” was presented by the Chitimacha Police Department on January 31, 2008.

Nineteen employees from various tribal departments and businesses on the reservation attended the training. The one hour session focused on what to do and what not to do should an armed robbery occur.

Officer Luke St. Blanc was the instructor and was assisted by Sgt. Brain Millet and Officer Amy Theriot.

Academy Graduation Photo

On February 11, 2008 Communications Officer Jada Breaux graduated from the St. Mary Parish Sheriff’s Office 45th Basic Training Academy. Officer Breaux is now a certified police officer through the State of Louisiana Peace Officer Standards and Training Council.

On March 03, 2008 Officer Breaux will transfer from the Communications to Patrol Division with the Chitimacha Police Department. Congratulations on your achievements and good luck in your new position!

Code Red Drill at Tribal School Photos

On Monday, February 18, 2008, Juvenile Officer Amy Theriot and Sgt. Brian Millet conducted an Intruder/Code Red Drill at the Chitimacha Tribal School. Code Red drills are done to ensure that everyone at the school, faculty and students, know what to do should an armed person come into the school.

As soon as a code red is announced the school should go into a lock down mode. In light of the recent shootings at schools and campuses across the nation, the Chitimacha Police Department has decided to take a more proactive stance to address any issues that involve the safety of the students and faculty of the Chitimacha Tribal School.

Overall, the faculty and students did an excellent job in following all the rules of a code red drill. In instances where a problem was found, the officers immediately addressed it with the teacher and students and it was corrected. These drills are well received by faculty and students and they do a great job. The photos above show Officer Amy Theriot checking classrooms for security purposes.

Chitimacha Tribal School

Eagle Pride…Eagle Spirit!

CTS NEWS

With Christmas and Mardi Gras complete, Mrs. Keeri's fifth graders got off to a busy start for the 3rd nine week period. In science, students are learning about plant and animal cells. They can tell you how they are alike and how they are different and what each part of a cell does. Students are also reviewing their states in social studies and learning about the 13 original colonies. Students are starting to write a short story about an empty box to go along with 2 of the stories they previously read about empty boxes. Their stories can either be true or made up as long as they are about an empty box someone received for a birthday present. It will be fun to hear everyone's stories when they are finished with them. Mrs. Keeri would like to congratulate Kati Martin for being selected as the 5th grade Star Student. Keep up the great work students.

5th and 6th grade students finding, sorting, and THROWING, beads to the crowd!

2007-2008 Mardi Gras Court

Maid (2/3rd) Meghan Baham	Duke (2/3rd) Robert Compton
Maid (4/5th) Sarah Guillory	Duke (4/5th) Trent Darden
Maid (6/7th) Erica Compton	Duke (6/7th) Bailey Hebert

Princess (K/1st) Nina Darden	Prince (K/1st) Evan Frederick
Queen Sherry Higgins	King Nicholas Boudreaux
River Cane Queen Lucille Landry	River Cane King Ron Burgess

Below are random photos from the Mardi Gras festivities

A sincere and heartfelt ***Thank You*** to all the volunteers, employees, students, parents, drivers, the Tribal Council, the School Board and all who participated and contributed in making the Mardi Gras Festivities such a success.

What a great way to start the New Year by celebrating and studying a classic novel, "A Christmas Carol"! Eighth grade students at CTS read and watched "A Christmas Carol" before the Christmas holiday. Once students returned to school they created a character that would have been invited to a New Year's Eve celebration in honor of Scrooge's new outlook on life. Students wrote a character analysis for each invented character and created pictorial representations of what their character may have looked like during this time period.

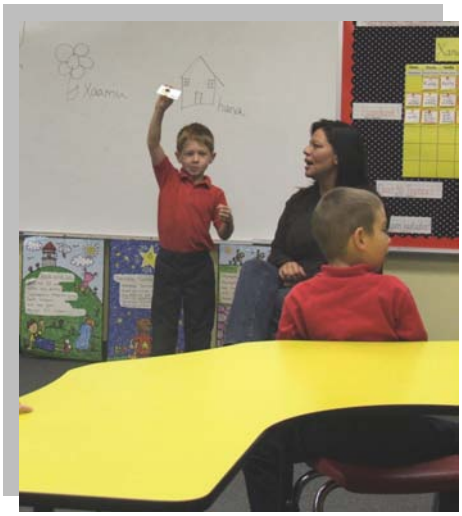
Finally, on the day of the presentations students attended their own New Year's party complete with all the trimmings hosted by their reading teacher Mrs. Janeen. Students enjoyed fruit juice punch, candied fruit, strawberry sherbet, tea sandwiches, and chocolate covered strawberries. Students played a parlor game, had fun with similes, and ended the celebration by popping traditional Victorian Christmas crackers. Learning IS so much FUN!

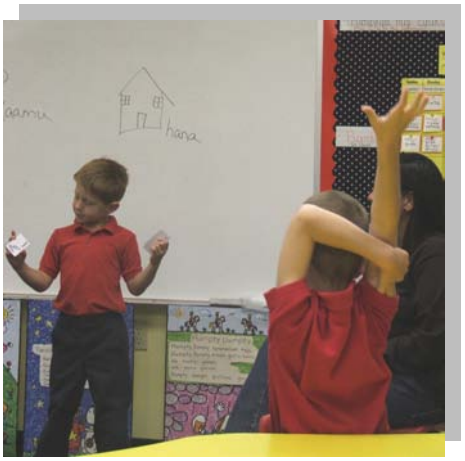
Congratulations to Katie Vilcan for being selected as the 6th grade Star Student, Kaylee Cormier for being selected as the 7th grade Star Student, and Adam Chiasson for being selected as the 8th grade Star Student. You are doing an outstanding job!

8th Graders enjoying their New Year's celebration

CTS is very unique in many ways, but one very important aspect about our school is our cultural class. Beginning in kindergarten students have a daily period during which they are taught the Chitimacha language. Ms. Sam and Ms. Rachel work diligently to get students involved in the preservation of the language in hopes that in generations to come the language will be spoken fluently, not just at school but in the homes as well.

Right now all students have returned to the basics! Students are learning key vocabulary concepts using games, Beanie Babies, and picture cards that have the words written in the Chitimacha language. In many activities students are also acting as teachers and helping their classmates master important skills. For ten years this enrichment program has enhanced the learning of our young people. Studies have shown that students who are taught their native language and culture do better in school because they develop pride and a positive self-image.





Evan Frederick teaching his fellow classmates!

Powered up and ready to go! Students participating in a new program at CTS are showing signs of excitement. The staff has incorporated a researched - based reading supplement program, Renaissance Read Now Power-Up, into their reading classes. Power-Up targets struggling readers with the goal of raising students' reading levels along with their confidence and academic success.

Across the nation students in many schools struggle with their reading classes and with many reading skills. It is our vision to give our students many different types of learning tools so that their target learning style is met, and our students have a chance to be successful. Determination of each student's grade level equivalent was completed by having all students in grades 4th though 8th complete a Star Reading test. Students scoring below their assigned grade level were grouped into "pull-out" classes and began working on improving their reading skills.

Using this web-based program students work to improve skills such as fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and much more. Staff members were trained earlier in the school year regarding the structure of the program and created a plan to have the students tested by January. Students will use the program for approximately two years. The students are required to use the Power- Up program for 20 to 30 minutes daily. Our staff here at CTS aims to utilize as many tools as we possibly can to ensure successful futures for our eager learners.

Our future United States presidents are at CTS! Students "pictured" themselves as president on President's Day this year. Students dressed in patriotic scarves and sports jackets and stood proudly next to the American flag to have their picture taken. These pictures were displayed on a brightly colored bulletin board for school visitors to view as they entered the school. Over 25 students used their good character "Eagle Bucks" to have their pictures taken and displayed to celebrate this national holiday. A unique sense of pride was present during the school day, a trait our staff members work hard to instill in each CTS student.

Another prideful moment took place in our 6th – 8th grade Health and Physical Education class. Students were assigned to create a children's book after a Character Counts lesson on "responsibility" was taught. Students opened up their minds and let their imaginations run wild with wonderful ideas. Stories about alligators, lizards, butterflies, parties, families, and friends were woven around the center theme of being responsible. After completing the stories, students read their creations to the class, highlighting their vision and message of responsibility to their peers.

Pictured Below:
(right) Toni Vilcan…
saluting with PRIDE!
(left) School Display

Principal's Note

As you can tell, Chitimacha Tribal School never has a dull moment. We are now over the half-way mark of the present school year, and so much has been accomplished. Everyone is working hard, and not a minute is wasted. I would like to thank the students, staff, parents, tribal departments, Tribal Council, and the community members for their gracious assistance with the preparations for the Mardi Gras parade. It was so nice to see so many individuals actively involved. The parade was a tremendous success!! It is such a pleasure to interact with today's youth. I see bright futures ahead for many.
Keep up the hard work, it will pay off!!

CHITIMACHA TRIBAL SCHOOL DAILY MENU SCHEDULE
March, 2008

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
March 3, 2008 **Breakfast** Biscuits, Sausage, Jelly, Juice, Milk **Lunch** White Beans/Sausage Rice, Broccoli, Fruit, Baby Carrots, Ranch Dressing, Cornbread, Milk	**March 4, 2008** **Breakfast** Breakfast Pizza, Grits, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Lasagna, Garlic Bread Salad/dressing, Fruit, Corn, Milk	**March 5, 2008** **Breakfast** Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Pig-in-Blanket, Fruit, Pork-n-Beans, Jell-O, Cucumber cup, Milk	**March 6, 2008** **Breakfast** Pancakes, Sausage, Syrup, Milk, Juice **Lunch** Chicken Stew, Rice, Field Peas, Fruit, Roll, Salad/dressing, Milk	**March 7, 2008** **Breakfast** Donut, Oatmeal, Milk, Juice **Lunch** Tuna or Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches, Tots, Salad, Fresh Fruit, Cookies, Milk
March 10, 2008 **Breakfast** Oatmeal, Cinnamon Breakfast Bar, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Hard Shell Beef Tacos, Corn, Cheese cup, Taco Sauce, Salad/dressing, Fruit, Sweet Roll, Milk	**March 11, 2008** **Breakfast** Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Milk, Juice **Lunch** Turkey Roast, Peas, Fruit, Creamed Potatoes, Roll, Milk	**March 12, 2008** **Breakfast** French Toast, Sausage, Milk, Juice, **Lunch** Beef-a-Roni, Green Beans, Cucumber cups, Garlic Bread, Ranch Dressing, Fruit, Milk	**March 13, 2008** **Breakfast** Biscuits, Sausage, Jelly, Milk, Juice, **Lunch** Hamburger Steak, Rice & Gravy, Black eye Peas, Salad/ dressing, Jell-O, Fruit, Roll, Milk	**March 14, 2007** **Breakfast** Scrambled Eggs, Grits, Milk, Juice **Lunch** Fried Shrimp or Cheese Pizza, Fries, Salad/dressing, Fresh Fruit, Rolls, Milk
March 17, 2008 **Breakfast** Biscuits, Sausage, Jelly, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Stuffed Crust Pizza, Corn, Salad/dressing, Apple Pie Bites, Fruit, Milk	**March 18, 2008** **Breakfast** Pancakes, Syrup, Ham, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Grilled Chicken Breast or Chicken Tenders, Baked Potato, Roll, Fruit, Salad/dressing, Milk	**March 19, 2008** **Breakfast** Cinnamon Breakfast Bar, Oatmeal, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Sausage Spaghetti, Green Beans, Salad/ dressing, Fruit, Garlic Bread, Milk	**March 20, 2008** **Breakfast** Grits, Boiled Eggs, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Hamburgers, Fries, Salad, Fruit, Cake, Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup, Milk	**March 21, 2008** **GOOD FRIDAY**
March 24, 2008 **SPRING BREAK**	**March 25, 2008** **SPRING BREAK**	**March 26, 2008** **SPRING BREAK**	**March 27 2008** **SPRING BREAK**	**March 28, 2008** **SPRING BREAK**
March 31, 2008 **Breakfast** Biscuit, Sausage, Jelly, Juice, Milk **Lunch** Chicken Nuggets, Pork-n-Beans, Fruit, Ketchup, Tater Tots, Bar-B-Que cups, Rolls, Milk	**MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO DELIVERIES.**	**All Breakfast Sausage is Turkey/ Pork for less fat, higher protein.**	**All fries & tots are baked, not fried.** **All Juices are 100% juice, 0% fat; whole & low fat milk.**	**Chocolate milk also offered. Pizza has wheat crust.**

March 7th – iLEAP/LEAP Pep Rally 2:30 p.m.
March 9th – Daylight Savings Time Begins!!
March 10th -14th - Leap/I Leap Testing
March 17th St. Patrick's Day - Wear green shirt.
March 18th - Reports sent home
March 20th - Early release 1:00 p.m.
March 21st - Good Friday
March 24th - March 28th - Spring Break!
March 31st - Return to school

Chitimacha Tribal School

March 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	Sarah 3 Guillory-BD Star of Week from 2nd grade	4 4-H Meeting at 2:00	Reid 5 Simoneaux-BD Amanda Vilcan-BD	6 SCHOOL STORE DAY!! Save up & Spend Those Eagle Bucks	Austin 7 Burgess-BD iLEAP/LEAP Testing Pep Rally-2:30 p.m.	8
9 Daylight Saving Time Begins- Dont forget to set those clocks ahead an hour!!	Barry 10 Moneaux-BD Star of Week from 3rd grade ** iLEAP/LEAP	11 Erica Compton-BD	12 End of 3rd Nine Week Period Testing--March	13	14 1st Grade Bake Sale 10-14**	15
16	Teachers: Have grades posted by noon. 17 Star of Week from 4th grade St. Patrick's Day Students may wear a green shirt with unifiorm pants.	18 Report Cards Sent Home	19 Star Lunch-11:00 Extreme Character Campaign Party-2:30	Trae' 20 Kitchens-BD Student Early Release-1:00 Staff Professional Development	21 Good Friday- No School	22
23 Easter Sunday	24 Spring Break No School	25 Spring Break No School	26 Spring Break No School Mrs. Michelle Caro-BD	27 Spring Break No School	28 Spring Break No School	29
30 Robert Compton-BD	Staff & Students 31 Return to School Star of Week from 5th grade	April 1 April Fool's Day	April 2	April 3	April 4 2nd & 7th Grade Bake Sale	April 5

On the Back:

Test Taking Tips

Happy St. Patricks Day

CURRENT COURT STATISTICS:

JANUARY:

CASES: (28)

16 Civil Actions (13 Garnishments/2 CV Complaints/1 Complaint)
10 Domestic (8 Petitions for Disbursement of Funds/1 Petition for Divorce/1 Pet. For Change in Custody)
2 Traffic
0 Juvenile

MORTGAGES AND LIENS: (2)
(1 Assignment/Lien/ 1 Form UCC-1)

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS: (1)
(1 Agreement between Owner and Contractor)

TOTAL ACTIONS PROCESSED IN JANUARY, 2008
(31)

CASES PENDING AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2008

TRIBAL COURT: (36)

19	**CIVIL**
12	**DOMESTIC**
01	**CRIMINAL**
03	**TRAFFIC**
01	**JUVENILE**

COURT SESSIONS:

TRIBAL COURT: JANUARY

The first regular session was conducted on **January 8, 2008,** at which time **18** matters were scheduled to be heard.

Three (3) matters were continued and reset for later dates and three (3) matters were dismissed.

(03)	**DOMESTIC**
(08)	**TRAFFIC**
(02)	**CIVIL**
(03)	**JUVENILE**
(00)	**PROBATE**
(02)	**CRIMINAL**

A second regular session was conducted on **January 29, 2008,** at which time **17** matters were scheduled to be heard. Two (2) matters were dismissed.

(05)	**DOMESTIC**
(00)	**TRAFFIC**
(01)	**CIVIL**
(03)	**JUVENILE**
(00)	**PROBATE**
(08)	**CRIMINAL**

Our next regular session is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, March 11, 2008**, with open sessions beginning at **10:00 a.m.**

Anyone interested in becoming a lay advocate to represent individuals in various court related matters, please contact Carrie D. Saucier, Clerk of Court to receive information.

As always, if you would like any further information regarding the Tribal Courts, please feel free to contact the Court at **(337) 923-7806**; or come by anytime. We are located at 343 Navarro St., Chitimacha Reservation; and our regular office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Monday through Thursday, and 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Friday.

Resolutions for the Month of January

#01/08 Adopts the 2008 Roads Priority List and authorizes Peggy Gaddy, Chief Administrative Officer, to sign any and all documentation necessary to update the Roads Inventory for the purpose of establishing new roadway priorities for the future of the Tribe.

#02/08 Authorizes Brian J. Headley, Development Director, and Kica P. Talbot, Development Assistant, to be the designated Tribal employees that have access to the BIA RIFDS (Roadway Inventory Field Data System) program for the purpose of managing the data for the Chitimacha Tribal Transportation inventory.

#03/08 Adopts the Schwab Resolutions and authorizes Lonnie L. Martin, Chairman, and Charles S. Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer, to execute any and all documents as necessary to implement the Schwab brokerage account.

#04/08 Accepts and approves that effective September 30, 2007, all Players Club Liability shall be fully recorded and documented, and the Tribal Council directs that for all years prior to September 30, 2007, the Players Club Liability shall be acknowledged and documented, provided, however, that the Tribe shall not require any additional adjustments or financial restatements to any prior years financial statements.

#05/08 Authorizes Peggy Gaddy, Chief Administrative Officer, to sign and submit the necessary documentation to the USET Organization for the purpose of accessing Tribal Health Program Support funding for FY '08.

#06/08 Authorizes the Institute for Indian Development, Inc. to apply for PY 2008-2011 funds under Title VI of the Administration on Aging Act.

#07/08 Authorizes ownership, reorganization, and operating of Keta Group, LLC. Appoints Manville Borne as Manager, and Tricia Mora as Vice Chairperson and Council Member to be the Liaison between the Tribal Council and Keta Group, LLC.

#08/08 Certifies that the required citizen participation actions have been met as described in the application and that the Tribal Council authorizes Peggy Gaddy, Chief Administrative Officer, to certify the application for the 2008 Title VII – Formula Grants to Local Education Agencies, Indian Education Programs from the Department of Education and to negotiate and sign any and all documents pertaining to the application and/or grant.

#09/08 Authorizes Peggy Gaddy, Chief Administrative Officer, to submit a FY 2008 application for the funding of the enhancement of the Tribal Courts system and to sign any and all applicable documentation.

#10/08 Authorizes Peggy Gaddy, Chief Administrative Officer, to submit a Basic Library Services grant application for fiscal year 2008 for the purpose of providing funding for basic library service activities on the Reservation, and to sign any and all documents pertaining to the grant.

Resolutions for the Month of February

#11/08 Authorizes the Agreements between the Tribe and PrimeVest Investment Account.

#12/08 Grants the Bureau of Indian Affairs a right-of-way for the route numbers and roadways on the Reservation for a perpetual term of years and without monetary consideration.

#13/08 Reappoints Howard G. Mora, Jr., to serve as an Election Board Member for a term of four years, effective March 1, 2008.

#14/08 Supports the efforts of Sarah Sense, a Chitimacha Artist, in applying for and carrying out the fellowship for the National Museum of the American Indian's (NMAI) Youth Public Art Project, through the Native Arts Program, for a mural project that will include participation of our Chitimacha Tribal School students.

Recreation Newsletter

February 2008

Basketball: Basketball went well this year with the help of St. Joe's gym use. It enabled us to accommodate many age groups ranging from 5-6 year olds through Jr. High. Pictured below are a few of our teams including: 7-8 Girls coached by Elizabeth Verret, 7-8 Boys coached by Bruce Burgess, along with assistance from Troy Billiot and Jay Trahan, 4th – 6th grade girls coached by Tracey Pillaro and Jeri St. Blanc, Jr. High Girls coached by Billy St. Blanc, and 4th-6th grade boys coached by Steve Cole.

Our coaches provided our young players with lots of playing time, fundamental skills, and of course, a good time. Thanks to all of our coaches mentioned above and also Dana Falterman, Billy G. St. Blanc, Zach Fitch, Brian Thibodeaux, Melinda Presley, John Higdon, and Jimmie Daniel. Thanks to our referees, Theresa Lombardo and Jason Verret, who ensure sportsmanship on the court and concession workers, Carla Newman and Mary McGeary. We always get compliments on how nice our facilities are. Thanks to the school for the gym use.

Track and Field: It's time for Track season. We will be competing in the parish meets in the month of March. Practice has begun at the Sports Complex. Meets will be held in Franklin, Berwick, Centerville, and Morgan City.

Baseball: Tryouts and registration for baseball were held in Franklin. Drafting will be held on March 1st. We'll pass on any information that we receive. Wiffle ball for boys and girls ages 3-4 will be held at the Sports Complex. We will post information and send out registration forms for this league. Games will be played in April.

Chitimacha Challenge: Looks like we have a lot of Challenge Participants. With the flexible guidelines, more participants are able to commit to the challenge. We have school age kids exercising along with their parents. Great Job! Keep it up!

CPR Classes: Two classes of CPR/First Aid were taught on February 20th and 21st. Participants from Yaamahana, Health, Police, Culture, and Human Resources attended. If you happened to miss these classes, we will once again offer classes in the fall.

Lifeguarding: If you are 15 years or older and interested in lifeguarding, please contact Recreation at 923-4975. Classes will be held depending on interest.

Pool: We will begin cleaning the pool soon and hopefully be open by the end of April.

Fitness Center: If you have not tried out the new elliptical machine, come by soon and give it a try! Judging by the response of those who have tried it, we think you'll like it!

Be sure to glance at the marquis for the latest information in Recreation.

Health Department News

Wishing you Good Health!
By Madeline Phelps
February 2008

Certificates of Achievement!

I am pleased to inform you of the recognition that the Clinic received for the following achievements! Congratulations staff and thank you for all of your hard work and these terrific results!

In recognition of valuable contributions to data entry, data quality and making the **most improvements** to their Mammogram rates GPRA indicator during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical women ages 52-64 with a mammogram in the past two years and making improvements to their GPRA indicators during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **second highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients with a cholesterol screening done and making improvements to their GPRA indicators during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients with a tobacco screening done and making improvements to their GPRA indicators during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

In recognition of having the **highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients with a BMI done and making improvements to the GPRA indicators during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of valuable contributions to data entry, data quality and making the **third highest improvements** to their Cardiovascular Comprehensive Assessment GPRA indictor during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients diagnosed with Ischemic Heart Disease having all their Cardiovascular Assessments done during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients diagnosed with Diabetes having all their Diabetic Assessments done during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of valuable contributions to data entry, data quality and making the **highest improvements** to their Diabetes Comprehensive Assessment GPRA indicator during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

In recognition of having the **second highest percentage** in the Nashville Area of active clinical patients ages 65 and older with an Influenza Vaccine during July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

Registration Update:

Please help us keep up-to-date records and inform Brittany of any changes in insurance, address, or telephone number. Call Brittany @ 923-9955, press # 1.

Update Eligibility:

Periodically you may be contacted by Brittany to update eligibility information. Please respond to these requests to provide information/documentation as needed to assure our records are accurate.

Weekly Screening:

Every Wednesday morning the Community Health Nurse and CHR's hold a clinic @ Rivercane starting @ 7:30a.m. Stop by to have your blood pressure/blood sugar taken! Lori, Norma & Elaine look forward to seeing you there!

Diabetes Breakfast:

A Diabetes Breakfast Activity is held the **first Wednesday of every month** at Rivercane @ 7:30 am prepared by the CHN, Dietician, & CHR's. **We welcome Tribal Members and spouses!**

Judith Dupuis, Dietician, Certified Diabetes Educator:

Please call Judith @ 923-9955, Ext. 3011 to schedule appointment.

Dental Clinic:

Since the Dental Clinic is only open one day per week it is extremely important to notify Brittany if you are unable to keep an appointment. If we are notified in advance we are able to schedule another patient.

Pharmacy:

Whenever possible please call in prescription "refill" requests on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday *(if you plan to pick up your medications the same day that you call in), Christie* as our lead pharmacist is available more hours to assist you with new prescriptions/refill needs. Since Ryan & Ms. Savitra are here for a few short hours, "new" prescriptions are filled first & *if* there is time left they attempt to fill some refills. Please call for refills 4-5 days in advance.

When calling in prescription be sure to leave the prescription number, name of medication & your telephone number on the phone message.

Contract Health Service - Services obtained off-site. Referral required for off-site services. A "purchase order" form must be obtained from the Health Department (I.H.S./CHS) office for each & every visit to a healthcare provider prior to visit. Individuals with private insurance or Medicare must obtain purchase order if you are requesting that I.H.S./CHS pay the balance. Emergency Services: you have seventy-two (72) hours to notify the health department in the case of emergency visit. Report to Millie @ 337-923-9955, Ext. 3004.

"Alternate Resource": health care resources other than those of the Indian Health Service. Example: Medicare, Medicaid, or Private Insurance.

Should a client meet the eligibility guidelines to qualify for an alternate resource, clients will be required to apply for that resource if available and accessible.

Contact Ann Olds (Medicaid Enrollment Representative): 337-923-9955, Ext. 3002 for more information. Ann is available to assist you in completion of the Medicaid application process.

- Once Medicaid is approved, the Medicaid office will re-certify your case periodically.
- It is client responsibility to respond to requests made by the Medicaid Office

Report/provide the following to Ann:

- Report any changes in Medicaid status to Ann
- Bring documentation of denial or changes in Medicaid status

Angel Biscuits

From: "The complete Step-by-Step 501 Delicious Diabetic Recipes"
Page 71

1 package active dry yeast
2 tablespoons warm water (105 – 115')
1 cup non-fat buttermilk
2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
1 ½ teaspoons sugar
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon baking soda
3 tablespoons margarine
Vegetable cooking spray

Combine yeast and warm water in a small bowl; let stand 5 minutes. Add buttermilk, stirring well.
Combine flour and next 4 ingredients in a large bowl; cut in margarine with pastry blender until mixture is crumbly. Add buttermilk mixture, stirring with a fork until dry ingredients moistened. Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface, and knead lightly 3 or 4 times.
Roll dough to ½ - inch thickness; cut into rounds with a 2 ½ inch biscuit cutter. Place on a baking sheet coated with cooking spray. Cover and let rise in a warm place (85'), free from drafts, 10 – 15 minutes. Bake at 400' for 10 to 12 minutes or until biscuits are golden. Yield: 1 dozen.
Exchanges per Biscuit: 1 ½ starch, ½ fat (21grams Carbohydrate)

News from Chitimacha Fire Protection

Rick Cook, Fire Chief

Quarterly Activities

Training: Since our last newsletter, we continue to conduct monthly meetings and drills here at the Fire Department. The drills conducted during this quarter were Ground Ladder Elevations, Apparatus Pump Operations, Incident Command, and Emergency Drivers Training, conducted by the VIFS, our insurance provider. Deborah Guardia, Joshua Bourque, Earl Tyler, Clarence Clark, CFP Volunteer members Kared Parro and Lance Mire attended a 24 hour 1403 Live Fire Training at LSU training center in Baton Rouge during the month of February.

Response Area Fire Prevention Activities: The prevention activities are an ongoing component performed at all the educational and commercial facilities throughout the response district. Monthly fire extinguisher inspections, pre-planning, Fire Hydrant and other inspections are conducted throughout the response district. Department personnel will be conducting building inspections during the following months throughout the Tribal and surrounding community facilities. This service is provided to maintain proper codes and to lessen fire potential.

During the up coming months the department will be assisting the Chitimacha Housing with installing Fire Stops, or cooking hood fire suppression systems. National reports indicate that approximately 40% of all residential fires are caused by cooking incidents. This suppression system is designed to inhibit the spread of fire contributed by cooking stove fires. For any questions regarding this or any fire prevention activities contact Deborah Guardia. Also available are the inspection of smoke detectors and training on the operations of residential fire extinguishers.

Inter Departmental Programs: Since 2000 Chitimacha Fire Protection has utilized a formal delegation process to conduct departmental activities. Each employee is delegated a department component to afford in maintaining expedience, accountability and dynamics. For example, the essential component of Pre-Incident Fire Planning consist of a Quick Access Plan of each commercial facility within our district that may contain hazards pertaining to our response efforts.

This component provides immediate facility information regarding fire apparatus access, utility services entries, building construction type and facility contact information which all equates to affording responded safety and property conservation. This delegation process includes documenting, occupancy awareness, and the entering of all applicable data into a computer program. Additional personnel delegations include, Fire Hydrants, Hose testing, Fire Prevention, Building Inspections, Frequency of Fire Apparatus Maintenance, Apparatus Pump Testing, Self Contained Breathing Apparatus maintenance (SCBA) and Training are all essential components. The process of component delegating has proven to be a very effective tool in allowing our personnel the given authority to oversee and maintain their prospective delegated duties.

Notices: On December 7, 2007, Chitimacha Fire Protection was awarded a $275,000.00 grant through the FEMA Fire Act program to purchase a new Class A Attack Pumper. After initially denied this grant in 2006 perseverance and determination has prevailed owing thanks to the Chitimacha Planning Department. The bid was scheduled for February 29th at the Tribal office. Once the successful bidder has been determined in regards to service, cost and manufacturing methodology that best fits the departments fire apparatus needs, these recommendations will than be brought to the Tribal Council for their final approval and for the contract awarding process.

This fire apparatus will have state of the art technology involving a hydraulic driven generator, rear ladder and intake hose storage, affording for maximum storage compartment capacity. This pumper will have a hose bed capacity to accommodate 1200 feet of 5 inch and 600 feet of 3 inch supply/attack hose. Tentatively scheduled for the month of April, the Property Insurance Association of Louisiana (PIAL) will be conducting a Fire District 12 survey. This survey will determine if the present rating of a "3" that was received in 2003 still applies. The purpose of this survey is to determine the cost of residential and commercial occupancy fire insurance ratings.

Emergency Responses: Responses for the month of November '07 @ (31) , December '07 @ (26), January '08 @ (29).

Chitimacha Fire Protection Volunteer applications are available at the fire department for those who want to be part of a rewarding profession in serving your community.

"Prevention is our Intention"

Public Works Department:

From: Tony Darden, Public Works Director

Mausoleum:

I would like to give you an update on our newly constructed mausoleum. We are about 80 per cent completed at this time. We are now waiting for the sandblaster to come in and put the tribal logo on one side and the Lord's Prayer in Chitimacha Language on the other side. Each corridor will be named after our scared animals. As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, this mausoleum will hold 96 single crypts. Below is a picture of our new mausoleum. I am really pleased and satisfied with the construction of this project.

Notice – Bicycles, skateboarding, four wheelers, go-carts, etc., are prohibited at the mausoleum grounds. This includes the driveway, sidewalks, etc.

Old Mausoleum:

We will be doing some minor repairs to the marble work and we are planning to paint the back of the mausoleum to match the new one. While on this subject, we are asking that everyone who has a loved one in this mausoleum, and has not had the opportunity to inscribe his/her name on their crypts, to please try and have it done as soon as possible. This would improve the appearance of this structure.

Grass Clippings:

To the residents of the reservation: we are asking that when you are mowing your lawn that you do not throw your grass clippings onto the roadway. This could cause major damage and drainage problems to the curb and gutter system.

Beginning this summer, for anyone that does not take care of the curb in front of their house, we will have the public works maintenance workers go and trim it and then spray it with weed poison.

Sewer System:

We are still finding a lot of the following items being flushed into the system such as, Q-tips, sanitary items, and etc. These items can cause major problems to the sewer pumps and could possibly cause flooding in individual homes.

Waste Oil:

Please remember that the maintenance department is still accepting waste oil. If you have any you would like to dispose of, you may bring it to the shop. This service is only available only between the hours of 7:30 A.M. thru 5:00 P.M. Monday - Thursday, and 7:30 A.M. thru 11:30 A.M. Friday. Please check with one of the maintenance workers prior to any disposal.

Dumpsters:

The dumpsters that are located at all tribal buildings and the Trading Post are for the use of tribal facilities. Private household garbage should be disposed of at the Waste Management facilities in Franklin.

Mosquito Spraying:

It is getting to be that time of year for us to start spraying the reservation for mosquitoes. We are asking that parents talk to their children about the danger of following the mosquito machine. Vehicles that are passing while we are spraying cannot see the kids in the thick of the smog. So for everyone's safety, please don't follow the equipment on your bicycles, four wheelers, go- carts, etc.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Part-Time Cashier / Stock Clerk

REPORTS TO: Trading Post Manager

DESCRIPTION:

- Operates cash register.
- Performs daily clean-up around register area.
- Transfer ice daily.
- Bag groceries as needed.
- Stocking Shelves
- Stocking Cooler as needed

QUALIFICATIONS:

18 Years of age.
High school diploma or GED.
Must be respectful to customers.
Must be dependable and conscientious.
Motivated and able to work independently.

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED NATIVE AMERICANS.

SUBJECT TO PRE-EMPLOYMENT AND RANDOM DRUG TESTING.

A BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION WILL BE REQUIRED.

To Apply: View our website at www.chitimacha.gov, or visit the Human Resources Department at 105 Houma Drive, Charenton, LA.
Applications are accepted: Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday 7:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

P/T ASSISTANT CHILD CARE PROVIDERS NEEDED

The Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana has openings at Yaamahana / Chitimacha Child Development Center for part-time Assistant Child Care Providers.

Qualifications: High School Diploma or GED and must be 18 years of age. Six (6) months of relevant childcare experience is preferable.

- Subject to pre-employment and random drug testing.
- Subject to pre-employment physical examination.
- A background investigation will be required.

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Just a Note: Car seat safety and proper installation courses are offered from trained personnel through the Yaamahana Center. Copies of seat installation instructions are available at Yaamahana. Contact Kathleen Flanagan @ (337)923-0100 for more information.

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR
4TH QUARTER NOMINEES
OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2007

Pictured above left (L to R) Sgt. Brian Millet, Adm. Sec. Ellen Hebert, Nominee: Comm. Ofc. Gloria Loston and Chief Blaise Smith. Pictured below (L to R) Comm. Ofc. Rosie Landry, Nominee: Officer Luke St. Blanc, Sgt. Brian Millet and Adm. Sec. Ellen Hebert.

Pictured below left (L to R) Chief Blaise Smith, Nominee: Officer Tasia Burgess, Sgt. Brian Millet, and Officer Jada Breaux.

Pictured below right (L to R) C/O Supv. Roxanne Jolet, Nominee: C/O Leslie Proctor, and Ex. Dir. Pat Darden.

Community Notice

Lifeline Service

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Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana
Attention: Newspaper Director
155 Chitimacha Loop Road
Charenton, LA 70523

Dear Newspaper Director of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana:

AT&T is proud to participate in the federal government's Lifeline universal service program, which enables the company to provide subsidized cell phone service to low-income Louisiana residents. We are exploring ways to raise awareness of this program among eligible consumers, which is why I am writing to you.

In brief, consumers in certain areas of Louisiana may qualify for discounted wireless service from AT&T if they participate in any of several designated federal assistance programs, such as Medicaid, Food Stamps, the National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program, and Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Consumers may also qualify based solely on income. (Please see the enclosed AT&T Lifeline/Link-Up Louisiana Fact Sheet for further details.)

Consumers can apply for Lifeline, AT&T's discounted monthly service plan, as well as Link-Up, which is a discount on the activation fee. In addition, AT&T waives the remainder of the activation fee and all deposit requirements for customers in these programs..

With the applicable federal Lifeline subsidies,

- eligible customers can obtain our Lifeline Plan for $16.74 per month; and
- tribal members may also qualify for additional federally subsidized discounts, paying a monthly recurring charge of only $1.00.

Our Lifeline plan includes:

- 300 anytime minutes, plus 1,000 night/weekend minutes (additional minutes: $0.15/minute)
- Nationwide long distance
- Free roaming in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama (roaming outside of region: $0.25/min)

The application process is straightforward, with a turnaround time of no more than two weeks.

If our Lifeline/Link-Up program may be of interest to your clients, we would be pleased to provide you with copies of our Louisiana Lifeline/Link-Up informational package for distribution. Each informational package consists of the following:

- Louisiana Lifeline Service brochure
- Louisiana Lifeline and Link-Up Assistance Application
- Pre-addressed, postage-paid Customer Application Return Envelope

The AT&T Louisiana Lifeline/Link-Up Fact Sheet is enclosed for your information.

Interested persons may also obtain information and applications through our Lifeline/Link-Up website, www.wireless.att.com/about/community-support/index.jsp, or by calling our Lifeline customer service representatives toll-free Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Central, at 1-800-377-9450. Note: From the last Sunday in October -the first Sunday in April (Daylight Saving), our Lifeline call center hours change to 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central.

I would like to discuss with you any opportunities that we may have to raise awareness of this program among your tribal members whether it's in an article or print advertisement in your monthly newspaper. If you have any questions or if I can provide you with further information, please do not hesitate to call me at (425) 580-8920 or e-mail me at tricia.mckinley@att.com. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Tricia McKinley
Program Manager, Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Program Office
AT&T

Lifeline Service **at&t**
Louisiana
FACT SHEET

Customer Eligibility

Generally

- Lifeline assistance may only be applied to one phone line at a customer's principle residence
- Customer must have a household income at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

or

Currently participate in one or more of the following Lifeline-qualifying federal assistance programs:

*Medicaid (not Medicare)

*Food Stamps

*Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

*Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)

*Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

*National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program (NSL)

*Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Tribal Member Eligibility

A customer residing on Tribal Lands is eligible to receive Enhanced Lifeline Assistance if the customer currently participates in one or more of the following assistance programs:

*Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
*Tribal Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF)
*Head Start (meeting income qualifying standards)
*National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program (NSL)

Lifeline Rate Plan

- Lifeline service is $24.99 per month, which is then discounted depending on the federal and state support available to the particular customer. The customer is charged the following amounts depending on the applicable discount(s):

Customer discount	Monthly Charge to Customer
Lifeline discount	$16.74
Tribal Lifeline	$ 1.00

• The Lifeline Rate Plan includes:

- 300 anytime minutes plus 1,000 night/weekend minutes (additional minutes: $O.15/ minute)
- Nationwide long distance
- Free roaming in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama (roaming outside of region: $0.25/min)
- Free phone with 1-year service agreement.

Lifeline Service
Louisiana
FACT SHEET

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Link-Up Activation Discounts

- Customers meeting the general Lifeline eligibility requirements pay no activation fees.
- AT&T's normal activation fee is $36. However, federal Link-Up funds subsidize 50% of this amount, and AT&T waives the other 50%, so activation is free for eligible customers.

Deposit Requirements

AT&T also waives any deposit requirements for Lifeline customers that would otherwise apply based on the applicant's credit history.

Areas of Louisiana Available

Call toll free 1-800-377-9450, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central for more information. Note: From the last Sunday in October -the first Sunday in April (Daylight Saving), our Lifeline call center hours change to 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central.

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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION #4
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February 25, 2008

The St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission # 4 is currently in violation of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes (TTHM) as set forth by the State [Part XII of the Louisiana Sanitary code (LAC 51 :XII)] and the Federal primary Drinking Water Regulations (40 CFR Part 141).

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (LDHH) set drinking water standards and requires the disinfection of drinking water. Where disinfection is used in the treatment of drinking water, disinfectants combine with naturally occurring organic and inorganic matter present in water to form chemicals called disinfection byproducts (DBPs). EPA and LDHH set standards for controlling the levels of disinfectants and DBPs in drinking water, including trihalolmethanes (THMs). Some people who drink water containing THMs in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

In December 1998, EPA set enforceable drinking standards of the TTHM at 80 parts per billion (ppb) and for HAA5 at 60 Parts per billion (ppb) to reduce the risk of cancer or their adverse health effects. Compliance with the TTHM/HAA5 standards for public water systems serving less than 10,000 individuals initially became effective and enforceable on January 1, 2004. Compliance calculations performed during the fourth calendar quarter of 2007 show that the system's TTHM RAA was 94 ppb. Compliance calculations performed during the first calendar quarter of 2008 show that the system's current TTHM RAA is 91ppb; thus the system is currently is violation of the TTHM standard. **However, current quarter results are below the standard.**

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by-hand or mail.

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. EPA and LDHH do not consider this violation to have any serious adverse health effects on human health as a result of short-term exposure; however, continued long term exposure to TTHM levels above the standard (E.G., 20 years of exposure) has the potential to have serious adverse effects on human health.

Presently Commission #4 water treatment plant is producing water below the 80 parts per billion (ppb) TTHM standard. Every possible resource is being utilized to keep disinfection byproduct levels below compliance requirements. **Tap water being provided to Commission customers is safe for human consumption.** If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Glenn Clark, Superintendent at 337/923-6986.

This month we celebrate The Death, Burial And Resurrection of our **LORD JESUS CHRIST**. Hebrews 2:9 tells us ...He Suffered Death, In order that by the grace (unmerited favor) of GOD (to us sinners) He might experience death for every individual person. Now, that is something to rejoice about! We don't have to experience eternal death because JESUS has paid the penalty for our sin. All we have to do is choose eternal life by accepting His free gift. I hope you will take time during this Easter Season to meditate on the priceless gift of salvation that we freely receive because of GOD'S unmerited grace.

On Good Friday, March 21st, we will be presenting" The Passion of the Christ" at 5:00 pm, Chitimacha Outreach and Fellowship, 2688 Chitimacha Trail. Light refreshments will be served.

Now, because of Christ's resurrection and victory over Death, what happens when you wake up in the morning? Are you ready to put your feet down and shake hell and make demons tremble, realizing you are up! This is exactly what will happen when we realize who we are in Christ and understand the "Armor and Weapons" that belong to us in HIM. Ephesians 6:11-19 tells us to Put the whole armor of GOD (so we can stand in the Battle and Resist the enemy) that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil!!!! and take the helmet of Salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of GOD;... Only a foolish person would try to go to battle without any armor. So we must learn How to battle the Lord's way.

Our prayer is that as you celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, you would also begin to consistently walk in HIS authority and dress in full armor of GOD.

Please call us at 923-6941 or Bro. Blaise Smith at 578-3118 / Bro. Orien Butaud at 578-1249 for prayer.

HAPPY RESURRECTION SUNDAY!

Your servants in CHRIST JESUS at Chitimacha Outreach and Fellowship.

P.O. Box 211
Baldwin,
Louisiana 70514

January 30, 2008

Chitimacha Tribal Chairman and Council

Dear Chairman:

I am writing you this letter in response to the letter you sent to all Tribal members dated January 15, 2008, regarding Per Capita. I am concerned about some of the statements you made in that letter; you said "no one is happy about this, especially the Tribal leaders." I would like to express my feelings, that even though, we did not receive any Per Capita for 2007, I feel that we have all received plenty of services from the Tribe.

Those dollars generated from the Casino support programs that allow us to have a doctor, dentists, pharmacist, police, fire protection, Tribal school and day care center for our children, scholarships and the list goes on. Since October, I have enjoyed meals from the Senior Center and I know the money to operate that program comes from Casino revenue.

I guess what I am trying to say, is that, do not be unhappy because even though the Casino may not have performed as well as in the past, the services that all of us enjoy have not been interrupted. We should all be grateful for what we do receive. Every year that we have received a Per Capita payment, which has been since the Casino has been in operation, I treat it as extra and do not get upset if it is lower than usual.

We have to remember that the payment for 2006 was ***significantly*** higher than that of 2005. After attending the General Meeting, I understand the fact that with the Amelia Bell opening and a slower economy in the U.S., it does take more money for the Casino to operate and the people have less money to spend. I feel that, even with less money to operate and continue the Tribal programs with little or no interruption in services, is justified in asking that you do not be unhappy, but realize that you have done your jobs.

O'Neil J. Darden Sr.

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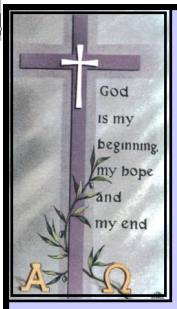

In Loving Memory of
Walter Morris Twofeathers
February 8, 1960 -January 19, 2008
Come With Me

In tears we saw you sinking, We watched you fade away, You suffered much in silence, You fought so hard to stay. You faced your task with courage, you felt your hope descend, but still you kept on fighting, until the very end. God saw you getting tired, when a cure was not to be, so He put his arms around you, and whispered, "Come with Me." So when we saw you sleeping, so peaceful, free from pain, we could not wish you back, to suffer that again.

In Loving Memory of
Genevieve Marie Zook
July 23, 1945 - February 3,2008

The Lord is My Shepherd: I shall not want. He maketh me lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me besides the still waters. He restoreth my-soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: For thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil: My cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.....

IN MEMORY OF
Oscar "Joe" Vilcan
June 27, 1917 - February 21,2008
STAND

Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glints on snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn rain. When you awake in morning's hush, I am the swifter uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight. I am the star that shines at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die.

Call Kitty @ (337) 923-4973 to place an Ad or Email to: kitty@chitimacha.gov

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